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OCT 19 2007**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Where claims have been amended and/or canceled, such amendments and/or cancellations are done without prejudice and/or waiver and/or disclaimer to the claimed and/or disclosed subject matter, and the applicant and/or assignee reserves the right to claim this subject matter and/or other disclosed subject matter in a continuing application, or otherwise.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Currently amended) ~~A digital camera for detecting whether to be stable~~ An
apparatus comprising:

a housing;

a lens formed on the housing for inputting light;

a photosensor for sensing the inputted light;

an image generator for generating an image based on the sensed light; and

a trigger, disposed on the housing, for generating a trigger signal while the housing is
substantially stationary fixed, wherein the image generator adjusts an image exposure period in
response to the trigger signal.

2. (Currently amended) The apparatus ~~digital camera~~ of claim 1, wherein the trigger
comprises:

a movable rod for triggering a switch to generate a trigger signal while a force is applied;

and

an elastic member for returning the movable rod to stop the triggering of the switch,
while the force is not applied on the movable rod.

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3. (Currently Amended) The apparatus ~~digital camera~~ of claim 2, ~~wherein the movable rod is extended out of the housing while the force is applied, but is pushed into the housing while the force is not applied~~ wherein the movable rod is extended out of the housing while no force is applied, but is pushed into the housing while the force is applied.

4. (Currently amended) The apparatus ~~digital camera~~ of claim 2, wherein the movable rod is positioned within a recess on the housing.

5. (Currently amended) The apparatus ~~digital camera~~ of claim 1, wherein ~~an~~ the image exposure period of the photosensor is prolonged in response to the trigger signal ~~while the trigger signal from the trigger is received.~~

6. (Currently amended) The apparatus ~~digital camera~~ of claim 1, wherein the photosensor is a charge-coupled device (CCD) or a CMOS photosensor.

7. (Currently amended) ~~An image-capturing system for detecting whether to be~~ stable comprising:

a digital camera comprising:

a housing;

a lens formed on the housing for inputting light;

a photosensor for sensing the inputted light;

an image generator for generating an image based on the sensed light;

a trigger, disposed on the housing, for generating a trigger signal while the housing is fixed; and

a tripod for fixing the digital camera comprising:

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a trigger end, for triggering the trigger of the digital camera for generating a trigger signal as the tripod is engaged with the digital camera, wherein the image generator adjusts an image exposure period in response to the trigger signal.

8. (Original) The image-capturing system of claim 7, wherein the trigger comprises:
a movable rod for triggering a switch to generate a trigger signal while a force is applied;
and
an elastic member for returning the movable rod to stop the triggering of the switch,
while the force is not applied on the movable rod.

9. (Original) The image-capturing system of claim 8, wherein the movable rod is positioned within a recess on the housing.

10. (Currently amended) The image-capturing system of claim 7, wherein ~~an~~ the image exposure period of the photosensor is prolonged in response to the trigger signal ~~while the trigger signal from the trigger is received.~~

11. (Original) The image-capturing system of claim 7, wherein the photosensor is a charge-coupled device (CCD) or a CMOS photosensor.

12. (New) An apparatus comprising:
an image generator for generating an image; and
a trigger for generating a trigger signal while the apparatus is stationary, wherein the image generator adjusts an image exposure period in response to the trigger signal.

13. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the trigger is capable of generating the trigger signal in response to the apparatus being connected to a tripod.

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14. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the trigger is capable of generating the trigger signal in response to the apparatus being placed on a substantially flat surface.

15. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the trigger is capable of generating the trigger signal in response to a user actuating the trigger.

16. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the trigger comprises means for actuating the trigger in response to an applied force and means for stopping trigger actuation in response to the force being removed.

17. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the triggering signal comprises a voltage.

18. (New) The apparatus of claim 13 wherein the image generator lengthens an image exposure period in response to the trigger signal.

19. (New) An apparatus comprising:
means for generating an image; and
means for generating a trigger signal to indicate that the apparatus is substantially stationary, wherein the means for generating an image adjusts an image exposure period in response to the trigger signal.

20. (New) A method for adjusting an image exposure period, comprising:
generating a trigger signal in response to an image capturing device being substantially stationary; and
adjusting an image exposure period in response to the trigger signal.

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21. (New) The method of claim 20 further comprising actuating a trigger in response to an image capturing device being substantially stationary and generating the trigger signal in response to the trigger being actuated.

22. (New) The method of claim 20 further comprising lengthening the image exposure period in response to the trigger signal.

23. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the apparatus includes a digital camera.